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**Summertime —
Conference Time**



**Youth at Christian
Camps and Conferences**

ANSWERED PRAYER



The
EDITOR
SPEAKS
RAY S. HEWITT



Editor Visits Camp Lane for Conference Pictures on Cover

The pictures on the front cover are representative of youth at summer conference. Right now, all over the nation, thousands of young people are at Christian camps and conferences or have just returned. Here in Oregon this July there is a Chi Rho camp at Cove in Eastern Oregon (July 22-28) and a CYF conference at Cove (July 29-Aug. 4). The Ninety and Nine Men are sponsoring Christian Boys' camps at Cove (July 15-21), Turner (July 22-28), Crescent Lake (July 29-Aug. 4), Wi-Ne-Ma (July 29-Aug. 4), and Fir Point (Aug. 5-11). They are also sponsoring Christian Girls' camps at Cove (July 8-14), Turner (July 15-21), and Fir Point (Aug. 12-18).

The pictures on the cover (and elsewhere in this issue) were taken at Camp Lane on the Siuslaw River in Lane County, where the CYF of the West Central Area had its conference in the middle of June. Jim Edwards, associate pastor at Eugene First Christian, was camp director; Blewford Osburn of Lebanon was camp manager. On the faculty were Mrs. Blewford Osburn, Howard Larson of Springfield, Mrs. Virgil Davis of Springfield, Mrs. Stanley Glick of Eugene, Mrs. Boyer from Portland, Joe Canaga of Lebanon, Ken Mills, and following students from Northwest Christian College; Jim Wear, Marion Castle, Rich Osburn, and Miss Nell Carlson. Head cook was Mrs. Dixon of Eugene.

The student officers were Darlene Waltham (Eugene), president; Larry Anderson (Lebanon), vice president; and Carolyn Smith (Eugene), secretary.

Having secured permission to visit for the purpose of taking pictures, the editor and his family spent a delightful day at Camp Lane, getting a pictorial record of the young people in action. Here then, for the benefit of those not permitted to visit (meaning all without official business), the **Oregon Christian** presents a sample of the conference, from class meeting to chapel to recreation activity—a sample of the fullness that is conference.



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Ever since I became State Secretary I have been praying that some of our congregations would really get a vision of our need for new churches and really do something worth while. We rejoice greatly that recently two of our congregations have set the pattern.

On the week-end of the dedication of the new educational unit at First Christian Church in Portland, the elders met and decided to recommend to the congregation that a sum of \$6,700 be given to the Cedar Hills church for the construction of its new building. Their feeling was that, since God had blessed their building effort in such a marvelous way, they desired to share some of their blessings with the Cedar Hills congregation. The congregation voted to accept the recommendation of the elders and make the money available immediately.

We further rejoice that the Kern Park Christian Church of Portland has followed a similar pattern. The Finance Committee and the Church Board presented a much enlarged budget to the congregation recommending that \$3,000 of the new budget be given through the State Office for the new Cedar Hills church building. They also voted a plan to make this money available at once.

The Lord has been blessing both of these congregations and we rejoice they are sharing some of their victories in behalf of others. Both of these congregations have their own building debts, but this action signifies the true spirit of Christ in their willingness to remember the outreach of the gospel in behalf of others.

Most of our congregations of the state are either planning building programs, or are paying for the project already completed. We are praying that they may catch the vision of these two congregations and help our state program meet the challenge of providing more new churches in this growing state. We trust many will have the faith and courage to go and do likewise.

Chas. H. Addleman

NEWS and PICTURE

DEADLINE

JULY 15

Kern Park Youth Respond to Severe Need



MEMBERS OF THE CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP AND THE CHI-RHO groups of Kern Park Church in Portland responded to the financial need of a four-year old child recently through an all day car-wash service which produced a total of \$61. clear, for this benevolence. Aided was Karen McCormack who suffered severe 60 per cent burns last winter and whose family is in need of financial assistance. This is the second gift that the Kern Park Youth have sent to help Karen. Mrs. Robert Galner is Youth Coordinator for the congregation and was overseer of the car-wash.



YOUTH of the Kern Park Christian Church at the recent all-day car wash.

TAN-DITTERS TO BE IN OREGON DURING OCTOBER

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Tan-Ditter, Christian Jews, formerly with the Jewish Christian Mission in Portland, are to be in Oregon during the month of October. To contact for speaking dates write Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Tan-Ditter, P. O. Box 85, Bell Garden, California.

SAVINGS PLAN WILL ENABLE MANY TO ATTEND EDINBURGH WORLD CONVENTION

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 15, 1956.—A savings plan for accumulating travel funds for attending the 1960 World Convention of Churches of Christ (Disciples) in Edinburgh, Scotland, has been announced by the Board of Church Extension of the Disciples of Christ, and Dr. Jesse M. Bader, executive secretary of the World Convention.

According to William T. Percy, executive secretary of the Board, the plan provides a means by which an individual, or a congregation, may save as much as possible every month until 1960. All such savings will receive 3 per cent interest compounded semi-annually. The plan was launched on July 1.

It has been announced that a total of \$2,400 can be saved in 48 months at the rate of \$50 a month. However, the plan does not bind an individual to attend the Edinburgh Convention, August 2-7, 1960, in case plans must be altered.

Des Moines Will Be Host to International Convention, September 28

Wayne Greene, Oregon Pastor,
to Be One of Three Ministers
to Deliver Key Sermon
on Year of Ministry

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 15, 1956.—"Spokesmen for God," highlighting the 1956-7 Year of the Ministry, will be the theme of the 1956 International Convention Assembly of Disciples of Christ (Christian Churches) to be held Sept. 28-Oct. 3 in Des Moines, Iowa.

A goal of 10,000 registrations is set from churches in the United States and Canada.

Riley B. Montgomery, president of the College of the Bible, Lexington, Ky., and current president of the International Convention, will open the Assembly on Friday evening, Sept. 28, and bring keynote address of the Convention. The Assembly will conclude with a dramatic "Festival of Commitment," a service of dedication, on Wednesday evening, Oct. 3.

Jack Finegan, minister of the First Christian Church, Berkeley, Calif., and professor at Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, will be this year's Bible lecturer. He will speak four mornings on the general theme, "The Biblical Doctrine of the Word."

In keeping with the Convention theme, three Disciple ministers will deliver key sermons on the three divisions of the Year of the Ministry: C. O. Hawley, executive secretary of Unified Promotion, will preach on, "Recruit the Ministry;" R. Frederick West, minister of the First Christian Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., will speak on "Educate the Ministry;" and Wayne A. Greene, minister of First Christian Church, Salem, Oregon, will preach on "Sustain the Ministry."

Assembly sessions will be held in the new Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Des Moines. It is suggested, since housing facilities are limited, that registrations be made early. Registration prior to the Convention is \$3.00 per person. The fee jumps to \$3.50 for those who will register at Des Moines. Additional registration forms may be secured from the State Office.

FILM AVAILABLE

Black-and-white movie film on Osaka Bible Seminary, Osaka, Japan, is available on an offering basis. For reservation write Mr. Elmo L. Black, Box 262, Willamina, Oregon. This is a film of the type of missionary work being done in this place.

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

—by John W. Boosinger

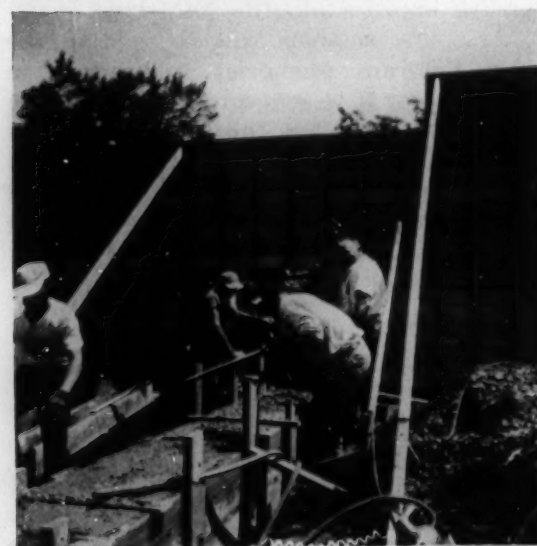
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EXTERIOR WALL FORMS as completed to date.



N.C.C. STUDENTS nailing forms: left to right: Robert Dewey, Nyssa, Oregon; Charles Hill, Billings, Montana; Marlin Love, Molalla, Oregon.



Mr. J. W. PIFER waves his hand jovially as cement is poured for the entrance.

The major activity on the campus this summer is the construction of the new library. Since the ground breaking on May 5, all the foundation has been poured. During excavation for the foundation, solid rock was found within a few feet of the surface. This means that the library is very scripturally founded on "the solid rock". Mr. J. W. Pifer, supervisor of construction, has worked out a very satisfactory arrangement with the union so that N.C.C. students may be employed. This arrangement will not only save some money in the cost of construction but will also aid the students to save some funds toward the beginning of school in September. Work on the building will continue as long as funds are available. Your contributions will keep this very important project under way.

In cooperation with "The Year of the Ministry" this summer every effort is being put forth toward recruitment of new students. Assisting Mr. Eldridge in this area will be Professor Ward A. Rice. Mr. Rice will spend most of his time contacting individual prospective students who have not completed their applications for admission to the college. In addition to this he will be present at both the Oregon and Washington state conventions.

To date we have forty new students whose applications are complete. If you know of young people who are considering the ministry or Christian service as a vocation, you can help, by sending their name and address to the College and by encouraging them to apply for admission to Northwest Christian College.

The activity report for the period of May 15 through June 16 includes a conference with the church board at Prineville, the Northwest Building Clinic sponsored by the Board of Church Extension at Tacoma, Washington, a visit at Silverton to speak on State Missions at the Sunday Fellowship Dinner and then share in the ordination service for Lyle Brenneman. I attended a conference with the church board at Rockaway, shared in the Lebanon Church Planning Conference, preached at Glendale and held an afternoon conference, preached two sermons at Ontario, held two conferences with Cedar Hills concerning its building program, visited Eastside Albany and held a conference with the church board.

I attended two meetings of the Planning and Strategy Committee of the Oregon Council of Churches; a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oregon Temperance League, a meeting of the Chi Rho Camp committee, a United Church Canvass luncheon, the Board of Directors meeting of the Portland Council of Churches. Met with the Constitution Committee in Eugene and attended the Alumni Banquet and Commencement program at Northwest Christian College.

Ten days were spent in the office with six office conferences.

Chas. H. Addleman

YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE

August 31 — September 3

**Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp
(near Rhododendron)**

A weekend of fellowship for young adults (18-30) through various activities—worship, Bible study, discussion groups, and recreation.

The cost will be \$8.00

Detailed information will be mailed your church soon, or you may contact the State Office, 603 Panama Building, Portland.

Charles Manker Joins Faculty of Seminary in Kentucky

Lexington, Kentucky, June 12, 1956—

President R. B. Montgomery of The College of the Bible today announced the appointment of Dr. Charles C. Manker, Jr., to the seminary faculty. Dr. Manker will be associate professor of religious education. This was the third faculty appointment announced this spring.

Dr. Manker is an alumnus of The College of the Bible and has been a part-time instructor there for the past three years. His full-time work begins on Aug. 1.

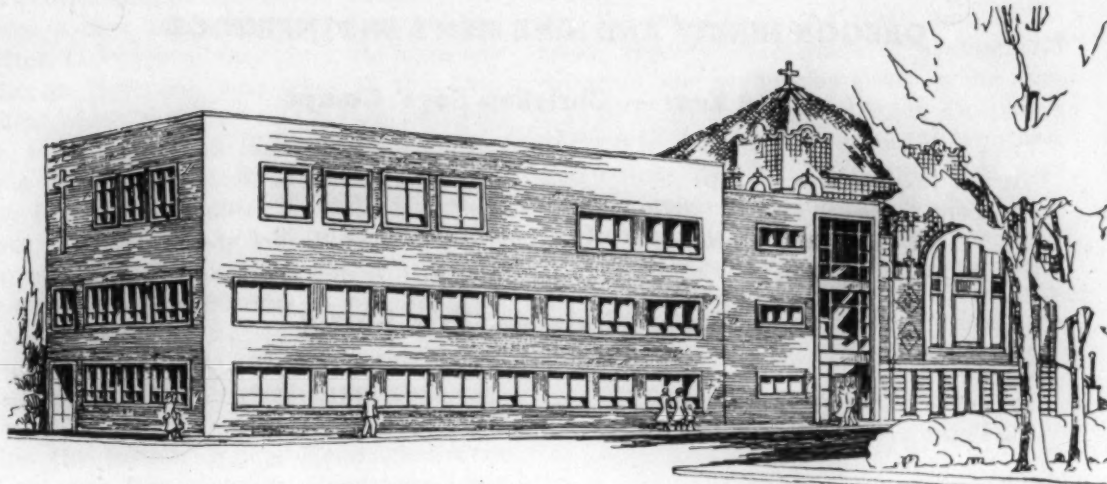
The new professor has had extensive experience in education—in public schools, college level and in the church. He came to Lexington from Portland, Ore., where he had been serving as minister of Christian education in First Christian Church. While working in the Portland church Dr. Manker served a term as president of the National Fellowship of Disciple Directors of Religious Education.

He also was the first dean of the West Coast Workshop for Directors of Religious Education and was chairman of the Pacific Northwest Audio-Visual Workshop—both these workshops are sponsored by National Council of Churches. Dr. Manker has taken leadership in the Directors' Section of the National Council of Churches' Division of Christian Education.

He served on the Oregon Governor's Committee on Youth Recreation and was chairman of the Teen-Activities Committee of the Portland Council of Social Agencies.

At The College of the Bible Dr. Manker is serving as interim director of student placement. He writes for many religious publications and is author of the Sunday school lesson materials for young people published by Christian Board of Publication.

Dr. Manker is married (to the former Marian Jansen of Fort Thomas) and is father of a son, Donald, and a daughter, Peggy.



NEW EDUCATIONAL UNIT at First Christian Church in Portland, recently dedicated, is illustrated in the etching above.

\$200,000 EDUCATIONAL UNIT IS DEDICATED AT PORTLAND CHURCH

Large and enthusiastic crowds attended the dedication services at First Christian Church, Portland, on May 13 when the \$200,000 educational unit was dedicated. William T. Percy, executive secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Indianapolis, was the guest speaker, and gifts amounting to more than \$10,000 were given for furnishings. The chairman of the Building Committee was Lyle Nosler, assisted by Cleve Moore, chairman of Construction, and Ralph Parker, Furnishings head. Decorations were in the hands of Mrs. Edfred Shannon and Mrs. Berle Stuessi.

The building is a large functional plant of three stories housing a new chapel, ac-

tivity room, church offices, and various classrooms. It is strategically located in the downtown area of the city.

Dr. Myron C. Cole, pastor of the First Christian Church, gave the invocation at the dedication service, and Fred L. Broad, executive secretary of the Portland Council of Churches, read the scripture. Greetings came from Fred L. Peterson, mayor of the city, in behalf of the city of Portland; Dr. Mark Talney, executive secretary of the Oregon Council of Churches, in behalf of the Councils of Churches; and Charles H. Addleman, in behalf of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention.



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JAMES M. ALLEY at the Valley Area Gospel Crusade, Elmira, April 29 — May 13.

Six Churches Sponsor Revival in Circus Tent

A new method in evangelism was successfully used by six of our small churches in the state, five of which are served by students of Northwest Christian College.

The six churches—Alvadore, Elmira, Franklin, Noti, Vaughn, and Walton—sponsored a mass revival under a big circus tent April 29 - May 13 at Elmira. The tent seated 500 people, and the meeting averaged 400 or better each night with 700 on the closing night.

The churches called James Matthew Alley as the evangelist, and his wife played the Jubilee Bells each night. Under Brother Alley's direction and with the assistance of Gerald F. Sawyer, acting chairman of the Valley Area Gospel Crusade, and the pastors of the other five churches (Robert Lynn, Alvadore; Wilett Jesse, acting pastor at Elmira; John Dewey, Noti; Jack Foreman, Walton; and Herman Johnson, Vaughn) and the gracious help of many members of the churches the meeting was a great success in every way.

There were 25 confessions of faith and 150 rededications to Christ, two churches coming as a body to reconsecrate themselves to the work of the Lord.

There was complete harmony among the churches; finances were met; and wonderful music was provided each evening. Jack Foreman, Walton pastor, led the congregational singing, and Gerald F. Sawyer, pastor of the Franklin church, led the Crusade choir.

In all who shared in this great crusade we saw and can say that this was New Testament Christianity in action, and we recommend this method to others. Much can be accomplished when Christians work together.

Gerald F. Sawyer

PLACES AND DATES OF THE 1956 CHRISTIAN CAMPS

SPONSORED BY

OREGON NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

22nd Year — Christian Boys' Camps

Cove	July 15-21
Turner (22nd Anniv. Camp)	July 22-28
Crescent Lake	July 29-Aug. 4
Wi-Ne-Ma (R.F.D. Cloverdale)	July 29-Aug. 4
Fir Point (P. O. Glendale)	Aug. 5-11

8th Year — Christian Girls' Camps

Cove	July 8-14
Turner (8th Anniv. Camp)	July 15-21
Fir Point (P. O. Glendale)	Aug. 12-18

NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Elmer C. Walters

Turner, Oregon, May 30, 1956— About 35 men and women met here today and put a roof on Swander Lodge. They painted one of the restrooms, repaired a number of the steps on the dining room, repaired the dining-room tables and the porch on Centennial Lodge. About 30 CYF young people from Salem, Lebanon, and Forest Grove cut the grass and cleaned all the lodges, the sanctuary of the Tabernacle, and the rustic chapel.

At noon all spread their lunches on a large table and had a picnic lunch together. After lunch a memorial service was held beside the Centennial Monument (erected the centennial year of 1946). Brother Elmer Patterson brought the message and President Bob Pfeiffer placed the wreath on the Monument. The closing prayer was offered by Ezra Blehm.

District meetings

Good meetings were had at all points throughout the state. Milton-Freewater had 27 present representing three churches on May 21. At St. Johns 720 were served during the Father and Son Banquet on May 28. The same night at McMinnville, Ladies' Night, there were about 70 present for a good meeting and program at which Leo Quakenbush presided. Our state president, Bob Pfeiffer, attended this meeting.

The meeting at Scio had about 50 present and state officers Harry Vetter and Lewis Dunn as visitors. On June 17 Bob Pfeiffer spoke for the mid-state rally on Sunday afternoon. The Eastern Oregon group planned a Decoration Day work day at the Cove Camp and is suggesting a Twin-State Convention there this fall.

Our President Bob Pfeiffer says: "Hope we have a good bunch of men at the State Convention at Turner and also hope they send in some money, as Curt Johnson, our treasurer, says we are out and we need some to pay for the roof on Swander Lodge."

There are several camps this year, and if we are to keep them operating, let's (through our district treasurers) send in our gifts to the Ninety and Nine work to Curtis Johnson, Treasurer, Box 188, Canby, Oregon.

NORTHWEST YOUTH RALLY SLATED FOR AUGUST 27-28 AT CENTRAL CHRISTIAN

Northwest Youth Rally is scheduled for August 27-28 (Monday night and Tuesday) at the Central Christian Church, Portland. This is an inspirational rally for all the youth of Oregon and Washington. The theme is "Service with God's Approval" (II Tim. 2:15 Phillips). The speakers include Mitsu Higa, George Knox, Ray Hewitt, Boyd Lammiman, Bill Jessup, and Bill Richardson. Sessions will focus on two general subjects: why everyone should attend at least one year of Bible College; and giving Christian service in every profession. Alvan Tiffin, pastor at Central Christian, urges young people to make plans now to attend.

Oregon Christian Women's Fellowship

—By Edna L. Burke

Yakima Indian Christian Mission receives a new administrative director, Mr. Clifton L. Peightal, on July 1. He succeeds Malcolm Norment, who went to this Disciples' home missions institution in 1948. Mr. Peightal served an internship at Yakima for five months last year in preparation for home missions service. Mr. Norment, in leaving the administrative post, becomes the full-time pastor of the new Yakima Indian Christian church nearby.

Mr. Peightal, a native of Lodi, California, received a B.D. degree at the graduate school at Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana, in June of this year. His wife, the former Arline Hendricks, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hendricks, long-time missionaries serving in Tokyo, Japan, will assist in the office work and help train girls in homemaking. The Peightals have two children.

As minister of the new church Mr. Norment plans to stress congregational and evangelistic duties, training the Indians to take their places in the life of the church. A missionary to Paraguay for many years, he says the traditional way of Yakima life is more unlike that of modern America than is that of Paraguay.

At the State Convention on Women's Day, June 28, the Love Gifts contributed by the Christian Women's Fellowships of Oregon were dedicated in an appropriate ceremony conducted by Mrs. Carroll Roberts of the Eugene First Christian Church. This project is for the purpose of assisting candidates and national workers in training for mission work both at home and abroad. Last year \$108,000 was contributed by the women of the United States and Canada, and this money was put right to work. This year's total, both national and that of Oregon, is not available at this present time but will be announced in this column as soon as it is known.

Mrs. Lena Poyfair of Eugene, secretary of C.W.F. district number 5, who was critically wounded May 20, is recovering satisfactorily at her home after spending three weeks in the hospital. Mrs. Poyfair had befriended a woman who was estranged from her husband. He came to the Poyfair home on the morning of Sunday the 20th. Not finding her, he turned the gun on Mrs. Poyfair and shot her three times; then he went home and committed suicide.

Mrs. Poyfair is most grateful for the many kindnesses shown her during recent weeks. She is a member of the Allison Park Christian Church, Eugene, where Orville Mick is now serving as pastor.

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Congolese ministers and American missionaries have joined in giving further

impetus to evangelism by our people in the Belgian Congo. At their annual retreat, reports were made of evangelistic progress, and study was given to the nurture of churches of the villages. Delegates arrived in dugout canoes, motor launches, and trucks. For the first time, this year the Congolese ministers paid for their food according to the salary level. For the first time also, missionaries joined Congolese in breakfasts of all-Congo foods. Ministers were also encouraged to have their wives attend the conference with them.



THE WHOLE OSBURN FAMILY served in the CYF conference at Camp Lane on the Shuslaw. Blewford Osburn (right) was camp manager. Mrs. Osburn (center) was dean of girls and taught a class. Rich Osburn (left), recently ordained to the ministry and graduated from N.C.C., was on the conference faculty. The family made considerable sacrifice of time in order to help at the conference, for there was an important event scheduled for the Monday after the close of conference (the 18th): Rich was scheduled to be married. The day after the wedding he and his bride expected to leave for Drake University.

Pulpit Available Free

Do you know of any church in need of a pulpit — free of charge? Charles Knox, minister at Heppner, says his church has one. Write to Charles Knox, Church of Christ, Heppner, Oregon.

CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD CALLS HAROLD HERNDON TO DIRECT FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGNS

Indianapolis, Ind., June 13, 1956—

Harold L. Herndon, of McPherson, Kans., will become general representative of the Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ with offices in Indianapolis, Ind., on August 1. He is in the sixth year of a pastorate with the First Christian Church at McPherson. He also serves the Groveland Church in this pastoral unity. Previous pastorates were in Oklahoma and Indiana.

Mr. Herndon will direct the fund-raising campaigns that the Board of Church Extension conducts for Disciple churches. This fund-raising service follows three plans: (1) a detailed building-fund campaign plan is made available to churches that wish to conduct their own campaigns, (2) on request, and as travel schedules permit, staff members of the Board of Church Extension assist campaign committees in setting up their campaigns, and (3) staff leadership is provided for a set-up conference and a weekend of intensive effort. As of May 1, 1956, a travel expense fee of \$250.00 is charged for this third type of service.

While at McPherson, Mr. Herndon has served on the board of the Kansas Christian Missionary Society and the Axtell (Kans.) Christian Hospital. He has also been a member of the Kansas Christian Education Commission and directed 22 intermediate camps. In addition, he has been vice-chairman of the Kansas Committee for Student Work and Christian Student Centers' finance program.

HAROLD L. HERNDON



Historical Society Honors Butler Professors

Indianapolis, Indiana— Dr. William Robinson and Dr. A. C. Watters, retiring professors of theology and missions, respectively, at the School of Religion, Butler University, Indianapolis, were honored Tuesday, June 5, 1956, with Distinguished Service Citations from the Disciples of Christ Historical Society, Nashville, Tennessee.

The citations and accompanying Honorary Life Memberships in the Society were presented by Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Nashville writer-historian and member of the Society executive committee, at the annual School of Religion alumni dinner held at the University Park Christian Church in Indianapolis.

In presenting the Society citations to the two distinguished Disciple educators, both natives of Great Britain, Miss Wrather called attention to the close tie which has always existed between the English-speaking peoples in their historic efforts to evolve a free society. She drew an analogy between the philosophy of history held by Sir Winston Churchill and that of Alexander Campbell as strong exponents of the theory that history is made by the appearance of commanding figures who lend their genius to the molding of a more noble society.

Miss Wrather defined one of the functions of the brotherhood Historical Society as that of studying great men of history in order to make history a living force in the present. She noted that the Society has occasionally granted citations of merit to those scholars whose insight and initiative have enlightened and challenged the thinking of the present day constituency of Disciples of Christ.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATIONS are presented to Dr. Watters (extreme left) and Dr. Robinson by Miss Wrather, while Dean Shelton (right) looks on.



Youth in CYF Conference at Camp Lane Have Full, Busy Lives in Lovely Setting



TEN O'CLOCK CLASSES (illustrated above and below) meet outdoors.



LOG BRIDGE on path to outdoor chapel and swimming hole.



CORNER of shelter where girls bunked. All conferees lived in three-sided shelters.

NEW CHURCH FORMED IN PARAGUAY

"As Christians, we are not only saved from something," declared Dr. Paul Andress at the second annual convention of Disciples of Christ in Paraguay, "but we are saved for something—and that is service." The convention met in Asuncion, the nation's capital, last spring, Oct. 8-10. Dr. Andress, the new director of Colegio Internacional school in Asuncion, put the mission of the Church in clear words. "A saved church is a serving church," he said.

Early in the convention, each congregation reported on its development and the progress in new areas being evangelized was summarized. A new congregation was announced in formation at Tacuacora near Coronel Oviedo. Convention sessions met at Friendship Mission and the Peru Avenue and Barrio Colon Christian churches.

The Poplars
Fort Rock, Oregon

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

My husband and I enjoy the **Oregon Christian** so much. It helps us keep in touch since we live 80 miles from our church home in Bend. We have an active Sunday School in our small community.

Sincerely, in Christ,
Mrs. Merritt Parks

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

There is a little item Mr. Swander and I wish very much to get in the July issue of the **Oregon Christian**. We've received several hundred letters since "Pop's" illness, and the problem of answering them is just getting beyond me, with all I have to do. Besides, I'd like to have this little note of thanks in the paper anyhow.

Thanking you, with appreciation,
(Mrs. C.F.) Cordelia Swander

THANKS FROM THE SWANDERS

Mr. and Mrs. C.F. ("Pop") Swander desire to express their thanks for the many cards, letters, prayers, and other kind expressions of interest received since "Pop's" illness. They cheered and helped him immeasurably. Pop is now home from the hospital and gradually regaining strength. He is permitted a few visitors daily.

NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN HOUSES

DULCINA ELLIOTT REPORTS FROM EUGENE CHRISTIAN HOUSE

"Outreach" is to be the emphasis at the Eugene Christian House next fall. Events open with a supper on the lawn for all new students, Sunday, September 16, at 5:30 o'clock. Names of those coming to the University or to NCC should be sent AT ONCE in order that they may be contacted before they leave home. Will some one in every church see that this is done? Eugene Christian House address is 736 E. 16th Avenue; Corvallis, 2305 Monroe Street.

The program topics will deal in the morning with Christian stewardship, in view of a student budget of \$2500 adopted at the spring retreat, and in view of the term's emphasis on reaching the unreached. Evening discussions will center around "This I Believe".

Two of our number will participate this summer in work camps: Wally York at East Kilbride, Glasgow, Scotland; and Nell Carlson at Flanner House in Indianapolis. As of mid-June, thirteen students are signed up to attend the national DSF (Disciples Student Fellowship) Conference at Estes Park, August 25-31. Others are hopeful of joining the group. There is a possibility of a special bus from the Pacific Northwest which will cut costs and travel time.

Get your church at work now to make the most of Go-to-College Sunday, September 9. Counsel with those leaving home, encouraging them to bear a Christian witness to whatever campus they go. Recognize them publicly that others may know they are going. AND send their names to church leaders in the town to which they go. Thus can we all share in our ministry to the campuses of the state.

WORK CAMPERS from Eugene Christian House are Wally York, who will go to East Kilbride, Glasgow, Scotland, and Nell Carlson, who will go to Flanner House in Indianapolis.



LAWRENCE PORTER MINISTER TO STUDENTS CORVALLIS CHRISTIAN HOUSE

With over 1900 Four-H high-school students and several hundred Beaver Boys' State and Junior Engineers on the campus and summer school starting, there are no dull moments on Oregon State College campus.

The arrival of fall will find the student officers and work groups prepared, for they have well-laid plans for various activities and programs for the fall term. The Married Students' Group at Corvallis Christian House is continuing its meetings throughout the summer.

Mr. Porter taught at the CYF Conference at Camp Adams, June 17-23. As field representative of the Oregon Christian Student Foundation, he filled the pulpits in the following churches during the month of June: Coquille, Myrtle Point, Medford and North Bend. He was at the State Convention at Turner to talk about the work of witnessing for Christ at our state colleges and giving pastoral care to the fifteen hundred students from our Oregon churches.

A report from the registrar's office states that Oregon State College student enrollment, after reaching a low point of 5,258 in 1954, is again climbing rapidly. The high point was in 1948 when 8,119 students enrolled.

WORSHIP SERVICE at Corvallis Christian House. Left to right, Ramona Hooker (Baker), Dan McGinnis (Chatsworth, Calif.), and Patricia Wells (Vernonia). In the background is the DSF emblem. The emblem was designed at Iowa State University by John Matthews of Emporia, Kansas. The "S" of DSF assumes the place of Christ upon the cross, signifying the acceptance by students of their task in carrying the cross within the campus. The entire emblem is embraced by the crown of thorns exemplary of the mockery made of Christ at the time of his crucifixion. The circle formed by the crown of thorns indicates the unity of the church made possible by the suffering of Christ our Redeemer and Savior.



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MILWAUKIE-GLENCOE ROAD: Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. We now have plans for the new building and expect to start work within a few days. Attendance is holding up well. Several took part in DVBS with the Milwaukie church. Royal Gardner, minister.

POWELL BUTTE: Because of the lack of teachers we were able to hold DVBS only one week but had 65 enrolled. On Memorial Day, 85 young people went to Warm Springs. Rev. Penhollow had six graduations in Central Oregon this year. D. L. Penhollow, pastor.

ST. HELENS: Pastor and wife had a two-week vacation in May. During this time the local pulpit was filled by Merlin Moon, minister of youth. Most of the vacation time was spent with Mother Putnam at Modesto, California. She is 89 years old and was in the hospital on our arrival but returned home next day. We spent May 20 at Visalia, Calif., with the congregation there. Visalia was the pastor's home church and he left there 45 years ago to study for the ministry at the Eugene Bible University. He had not been back for worship since. In place of the small white frame church building in which he served and worshipped then, there is now a \$172,000 church plant. Some change!

Recent additions to the local church are Brother and Sister Roland Wilder of Minnesota. They have ministered many years in Minnesota, and have come here to retire and live. R. L. Putnam, minister.

DALLAS: We observed Children's Day, June 3. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Zehrung, missionaries on leave from Alaska now living here, brought interesting messages and showed slides of their work. Our youth director, Benny Boling, graduated from NCC, will work in his home state, Kansas, this summer and enter Phillips University this fall. We are purchasing the lot next to the church building for parking. Guy J. Wright, interim pastor.

ALBANY-FIRST: Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Wm. T. Percy from the Church Board of Extension, Indianapolis, was with us the weekend of April 29, helping with our building fund campaign. The campaign was most successful, for it raised over \$86,000, which assured the church of breaking ground in two years. Eight people from Albany First attended the Building Clinic in Tacoma, May 17. Lester Jones, minister.

SALEM-COURT ST. Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Crowded conditions at morning worship services made necessary double services at 8:30 and 11 a.m., beginning on May 1. W. H. Lyman, minister.

SWEET HOME: Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. VBS began June 11 with an enrollment of 189 children. Forty-three adults and young people are teaching and assisting in the school. Building-debt note will be burned July 15. Entertained Fifth-Sunday convention of Willa-

mette District churches on April 29, and the Willamette C.E. union rally on May 20. Over 100 were present for the convention and over 80 for the Rally. E. F. Downing, minister.

OAKRIDGE: The two choirs of the church under the direction of Miss Doris Renzema presented a spring concert to a full house on the night of May 20. It consisted of sacred and novelty numbers. One of the feature attractions was a fourteen-voice girls' choir called the "Harmonettes." They also sang for the Lane County Convention here on May 12 and at the West Side Church on June 10. Three C.Y.F. young people attended Camp Lane and twenty Chi Rho went there the following week. E. C. Hawkins, minister.

COQUILLE: C. W. F. held annual planning retreat resulting in a challenging program for the coming year. C.W.F. officers were recently installed during the morning service. Fourteen C.Y.F. members registered for summer conference. C.Y.F. conducted morning worship service prior to departure for camp with an original worship based on "I am Youth," in a recent issue of VISION. Finance Committee proposed a \$24,000 budget for 1956-57. VBS, directed by Miss Delsie Rice, 1956 graduate of NCC, was held June 11-15. Walter Naff, minister.

ROCKAWAY: Our pastor is now at home here and full-time, having graduated at NCC, June 5. Support of the church program has met with fine response with a total pledged amount of \$246 per month. VBS held June 11-22 with about 50 enrolled. Our pastor has been called to a five-year ministry with this congregation.

Average attendance in church school for May was 58. An invitation is extended to all to visit our service when at the coast. Edna Bauknecht, reporter. Don Summers, pastor.

BEND: Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Eleven youth attended C.Y.F. conference and 9 attended Chi Rho camp. About 40 boys and girls will go to camp and conference. VBS held in June with an average attendance of 100 and 130 enrolled. Pastor preached baccalaureate sermon for the local high school. Adult Bible classes purchased a new lighted sign for the church. H. C. Bever, minister.

EUGENE - WESTSIDE: One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Children's Day was held June 10 with a special evening service honoring our children. The program included the "Harmonettes" from Oakridge, a sound film, and refreshments. V.B.S. with the "Living Bible" as the theme was held from June 11-22. L. Elwell, minister.

GOSHEN: Lowell A. Hall terminated his ministry here June 10 to go to Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa. Leman

Messley, student at NCC, will be the new minister. DVBS began June 11. **ELGIN:** Had record attendance in our DVBS with 109 registrations the opening week and 96 present one day. Lester Wells, minister.

HILLSBORO: Rich Osburn, who was serving as ad interim pastor, left May 27. Arlo B. Bristow will serve until August, when Jack Hann, the full-time minister, and his family arrive. A successful mother-daughter banquet was held with 190 present. The men cooked the dinner while the boys served. Mrs. Lester Jones of Albany was guest speaker. C.W.F. officers were installed by Marvel Feldman, district secretary. Mrs. L. H. Jones is president and Mrs. Leo Timbrook is outgoing president. Folks are looking forward to convention time. The youth are making plans for summer camps and conferences. VBS will be held the last two weeks in August.

GLENDALE: From May 28 to June 8 we held our DVBS. Our average attendance was 50. We held a closing picnic at the City Park on June 8. Demonstration Monday was June 11 at the church. Also we are cooperating with several other churches in conducting a revival meeting with Rev. Lynn Hodges of Topeka, Kansas, to be held at the Masonic Temple. Ida A. Edson, reporter. Guy L. Armstrong, minister.

PORTLAND - SOUTHEAST: Two added by baptism. **SCIO:** Willamette 90 and 9 District meeting was held here May 28. Dinner was served by the Scio ladies. Hillis Davidson was speaker. Mrs. G. O. Clayton, reporter. William Hays, minister.

HEPPNER: Five added by baptism, 1 otherwise. The summer schedule began June 3 with the morning worship at 9 a.m. and the Bible school at the regular hour. Held a cooperative VBS with the Methodist church. Have begun tithing 10 per cent of the general fund for missions. We are organizing a missions committee. Charles Knox, minister.

SPRINGFIELD: Howard Larsen came to be our pastor the first of March; since that time there have been 27 additions to the church: 16 by transfer and 11 by baptism. After a year of fund raising, we dedicated our new organ and piano on May 6, free of debt. Elizabeth Cole, reporter.

NORTH BEND: Three added by baptism. DVBS convened June 11, with very good attendance on opening day. Pastor Clyde Blakley was speaker for the high-school baccalaureate services, taking subject, "Some challenges for life."

Oscar Cooper of state benevolence and Lawrence Porter of Christian Houses, were guest speakers at recent evening services.

LEBANON: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. The ministers, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. White, sailed for Europe and the Holy Land on June 27. They were accompanied by Mrs. Orville Soule, Mrs. Glenn Tucker, Misses Judy and Ann Morse, Tony Hayden, and Liz Bennett, all of the Leb-

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anon church. Other Disciples joined them en route to New York.

ASTORIA: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. The yearly meeting and election of officers was held on May 24. All departments reported progress and activity. Two new choirs of primary and juniors were organized by Georgia Wilson and Edith Romsos. Youth work report showed the best year in this group. The outstanding event was the burning of the parsonage mortgage; \$225 was raised on the spot to finish the payment. That means that more than \$8000 was paid on this in less than four years. Conducted a VBS June 11-22. Finished the year in good financial standing. Albert D. Kribs, minister.

MILWAUKIE: Beginning June 1 Pastor and Mrs. Fitch invited the members in groups of 15 to a series of Parsonage Panels in their home. Alger presented the program of the church, refreshments were served, and a period of evaluation and wonderful fellowship followed. Each member was encouraged to comment and offer suggestions. This program continued through July. To take care of increasing attendance and growing membership we are now presenting identical Sunday morning services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Both services are well attended. VBS started June 11 with good attendance and much enthusiasm. Mrs. Wm. Van Antwerp, reporter. Alger Fitch, pastor.

DETROIT: Two added by baptism. G. E. Williams has resigned and, beginning July 1, Glen Lyda will be the new minis-

ter. This is truly a mission church and we need your prayers.

TILLAMOOK: Two added by baptism, 7 by transfer. The fiscal year of the church was changed from January - December to July - June. The Church school maintains a good average despite heavy removals due to mill closures. VCS is in operation with a daily attendance average of 180. The building debt has been reduced from \$20,000 to \$2500. The hospital project for the Conco is 70 per cent paid in, with continued interest. Our 75-foot tower will have to be removed because of faulty construction 42 years ago. Another candidate for the ministry enters NCC this fall. The church sent a heifer to Formosa with a large local shipment. Aldis Webb, pastor.

MCKENZIE BRIDGE: Our treasurer sent \$87 to UCMS for missions recently. We had 8 additions by baptism and four by statement for the year. We have recently had many hundreds of yards of dirt filling and work done in beautifying our church lot. Our church school, led by Prof. Irving Elle, averages nearly 100. The church services are well attended. The choir of about 20 voices, led by Mrs. Alice Rasmussen, is doing very commendable work. We plan to install the envelope system of finances about July 1. The Women's Fellowship meeting in June was well attended. Frank L. Cook, pastor.

JEFFERSON: Held a two-week DVBS with other churches in town, using the course, "Champions for Christ." Pastor

is on a two-week vacation. Lowell Hall supplied one Sunday evening and David Arnold on June 17. The Women's group visited the Yakima Christian Indian Mission in May. Mrs. Virgil Bailes, reporter. Vern Gomez, pastor.

COBURG: Observed again this year the "Mother of the Year," who was Mrs. Harold Hunt. She has two sons in the ministry. Joe Wagnon has been called to serve the Christian church in Weiser, Idaho, beginning July 8. He has served two years in the Coburg church. Arthur Hariman of Kelso, Wash., has been called to serve here, beginning Sunday evening, July 1. We had a Homecoming Day on June 10, on which Brother Elmer Patterson pointed out that it was just 56 years ago from that day that he and Daddy Hoven began the first service held here.

There were several oldtimers. We had the "Golden Wedding Service" on May 20. Because of sickness there was only three couples present. The sermon was the "Honeymoon that Lasts", compared to the church as the bride of Christ.

PORTLAND-SOUTHWEST: Ladies' group was organized and is doing a good work. Brought home a lovely picture for having the largest attendance at Teddy Leavitt meeting at North Plains. Chaplain Vernon Kullowatz preached to a full house on May 27. Working on plans for our new church home. Mrs. Ivan Scott, reporter. Wayne V. Jensen, minister.

ROSEBURG-WESTSIDE: Twenty-one added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Had a dinner in honor of the 49 new members received into our fellowship since the first of the year. Our DVBS was the largest in the history of the church. We are having a birthday celebration party the 29th of June. We will be three years old at that time. Gilbert Knox, minister.

MEDFORD-CENTRAL: Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. E. J. Gilstrap, pastor. **LORANE:** Two added by baptism. Have just completed a wonderful two-week DVBS with Miss Elda Lowman as director. The average attendance was 100. Martin Lee, pastor.

PORTLAND-ST. JOHNS: Six added by baptism, 2 otherwise. VBS held June 11-22. Float entered in Junior Rose parade as publicity won third in district. Martin Clark, President Osaka Bible Seminary, spoke on June 10. Work continues on the grounds around the church building. We were host to North West 90 and 9 Father and Son banquet, and the women fed approximately 725 men and boys in shifts from 5 to 8 p.m. on May 28.

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gave a sacred concert on May 27 for the evening service. Faye Filby, reporter. Jess Johnson, pastor.

BURNS: We had our annual meeting May 29. We have had 41 additions the past year, 30 of these by confession and baptism. With the help of the Wells organization we have over \$42,000 pledged for the next 100 weeks. Dr. and Mrs. Cliff Weare have gone to Yale University to prepare for mission work in the Belgian Congo under the U.C.M.S. The work is progressing in a fine way. Len B. Fishback, pastor.

PORTLAND-MALLORY AVE.: Two added by baptism, 6 otherwise. A "Commitment - to -the -Kingdom" service was held June 10, stressing both full-time Christian service and dedicated laymen. Don Smith presided and spoke briefly on his decision. Ralph Adams, who is receiving his Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Oregon Medical School and who was ordained June 17 at Jerome, Ida., brought the sermon. The VBS was held June 13-26. Marion Nilsson, minister.

ROSEBURG - FIRST: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Just completed our DVBS. Mrs. Newell Morgan directed it. Our average attendance was 353. The program was presented to the parents on June 14. Completed paying the mortgage on the educational building on June 1. Considerable work has been done inside the building and on the grounds outside to improve the property. Newell Morgan, minister.

FOREST GROVE: Two added by baptism. A special observance of Mothers' Day saw three mothers honored with flowering plants. Sunday, June 3, we honored our graduating seniors in the morning service. A VBS has been in operation in June. Eighty youngsters and twelve teachers took part. The C.Y.F. had its annual Senior Banquet, June 15. The evangelism commission is sponsoring an every-member visitation to bring more interest in the church to every member. Elby Boosinger, pastor.

OREGON CITY: Largest DVBS in the past twenty-five years. Gifts to church will provide pulpit furniture; also will have a beautiful court garden thru which entrance to the church is provided. Bible school now averaging more than 300. H. Hutchins, pastor.

HARRISBURG: Two added by baptism, 3 by affiliation. The pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Siefke, with Mr. and Mrs. Ross J. Griffith of NCC flew to New York and on June 24 took a liner for the Holy Land. They plan to be gone through August and will bring back much interesting information. During the summer, the assistant pastor, LeRoy Hershisser, will be in charge and a few guest speakers will fill the pulpit. DVBS, two weeks in June, enjoyed a good attendance and an excellent program for the children. Mrs. E. W. Blehm, reporter.

BAKER: We are making plans to go forward in our building program. The church board voted to recommend to the congregation the use of the Wells organization for fund raising, beginning Sept. 2. Jack Wylie, senior at NCC this fall, is our student minister for the pulpit. Our elders have been supplying the pulpit in Halfway till they locate a minister. Joe Jewett, minister.

GLENWOOD: Adopted a new constitution on May 27. Our student pastor was

ordained on May 20 at Silverton Christian church. On June 3 the congregation voted to give a scholarship of \$108 to Kenneth A. Myers to attend NCC next year. Kenny graduated from Springfield High School this spring. Lyle E. Brenneman, pastor.

PORTLAND-SELLWOOD: The weekend of June 8-10 we were led in a concentrated evangelistic effort by Conly Silsby of Puget Sound College of the Bible, Seattle, Washington. We took a love-offering for C. W. Swander for \$47.50 on June 10. We held DVBS from June 11-22. Robert Clevenger, minister.

MILL CITY: Cooperated with other churches in VBS, June 4-15. Planning a 30th anniversary celebration July 29. All former members and pastors invited. James Stock of Sweet Home supplied the pulpit June 3, in the absence of the minister H. E. Jull, who officiated that day at the wedding of his son, William, in Billings, Montana. Members of the Bible school presented a talent program at the evening service.

WILLAMINA: DVBS under the direction of minister's wife is a page of pleasant history. Average attendance was 102 for a one-week, double-session school. Attendance at all services is holding good. Minister and his family took a three-week vacation which included Kiamichi Mt. Clinic in Southeast Oklahoma. Held our own Bible school clinic with good results. Several summer activities planned. Looking forward to the fall evangelistic revival meeting. Elmo Black, minister.

GRANTS PASS: Seven added by baptism, 4 otherwise. C.W.F. served a banquet for the youth of our church May 25. DVBS was held June 4-15, with 175 enrolled. Our pastor was recently elected vice-president of the Oregon NCC alumni. C.W.F. installation of new officers was held June 13. Mr. Neal taught at C.Y.F. Conference, Camp Myrtlewood, June 10-16. Mr. Neal was Dean of the Chi Rho Camp held at the same place, June 17-23. Mothers' Club installed new officers on June 11. Mrs. Clausen Brooks, reporter. Robert Neal, minister.

PENDLETON: One added by baptism, 4 otherwise. Annual church election was held May 16. C.W.F. held an all-day planning meeting on May 25. DVBS held with record-breaking attendance. Donald Payne, minister.

SILVERTON: VBS well-attended, bigger than last year. Ordination of Lyle Brenneman was held May 20. Russell Myers, The Dalles, was guest speaker. I. M. Nelson, pastor. **VAUGHN:** Four added by baptism. Have called Timothy Kribs, senior at NCC, to be pastor starting June 17. Had an average attendance of 88 in DVBS.

MONMOUTH: Two added by baptism. Mrs. Harold Elkins was selected Church Mother of the Year on Mothers' Day. Building program launched, with over \$11,000 already pledged toward basement expansion for new classrooms and fellowship hall. On June 3 Anor Emerson, minister at Chula Vista, spoke in morning and his son, Charles, Monmouth associate, in the evening. VBS was held June 4-8. Sunday school is entering Lookout's summer "Get Out the Vote" campaign. Visitation evangelism campaign began June 14, and pioneer tent meeting in Monmouth led by Elery Parrish, July 1-15. Richard Owen, minister.

PORTLAND - FIRST: Six added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Pastoral Selection Committee headed by E. Earl Feike reports progress in the selection of a new minister who will replace Myron C. Cole, pastor for the past ten years. Mr. Cole has accepted a call to the historic Central Church of Indianapolis, Indiana. He will leave Portland about September 15. Robert H. Richter of Hermiston, took up his duties as Minister of Christian Education on June 24. He will direct the total education program, including the youth work. He will have the opportunity of developing the program in the newly dedicated building.

ALBANY-EASTSIDE: Attendance in the Bible school for May averaged 110, compared to 89 last year. The men worked Memorial Day laying asphalt tile on the sanctuary and hall floors. DVBS closed June 15, with a high attendance of 110. A junior-high Chi Rho group has been organized and is doing very well. Ivan Correll, minister.

EUGENE - FIRST: Three added by baptism, 4 otherwise. The Financial Committee gave an unusual approach to Christian giving at two "Church Loyalty dinners." Informational charts were presented in graphic fashion by Bruce J. Herzinger. Using thermometer-like measuring devices, with colored sections and symbols, they depicted our church's sharing with people and causes at home and abroad. The picture, "This Is My Body", followed a few words by Dr. E. R. Moon and a consecration prayer by Dr. Roberts, and ten "Estimates of Giving" cards were signed. On the following Sunday morning at the close of the worship service the "Estimates of Giving" cards were dedicated at a consecration service. VCS held June 11-22.

All-church picnic was held June 24 to honor all new members for the past six months and also Mr. and Mrs. James Edwards and son, Jeff, who left for graduate school at TCU about July 15. Ellen Stokes, reporter. C. C. Roberts, minister.

SUTHERLIN: One added by baptism. Harvey Ruegsegger, a senior at NCC, began his service as youth director and associate minister on June 17. On June 10 he and Bonnie Van Doren were married in Spokane, where her father, Frank, is minister. Wm. Richardson, minister.

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